

When new development takes place the community should be responsible for ensuring that the developer install proper and adequate storm drainage facilities.

### Evaluation

The present storm sewer system is considered adequate as it meets the minimum standards. There are many areas throughout the community which have no storm sewers at all and are solely dependent upon open ditches for surface runoff. This is particularly serious when we consider the flat topography of the area. Accumulations of storm water may interfere with sanitary sewage disposal, damage buildings and become a breeding place for mosquitoes.

### Recommendations

Selma must require that the developer of new urban areas provide them with adequate storm sewers and drainage.

The town must continue to study its situation and begin another program of providing storm sewers to areas which now need them.

Selma should have topographic mapping made so that drainage areas may be determined and some adequate planning may be made regarding future storm sewer installation.

The entire area west of the central business district is without proper storm drainage and is dependent upon natural surface runoff. Fortunately these areas are located on high ground and are not subject to extensive flooding. The area south of Preston Street has a new open drainage ditch which must be kept clear for it to remain effective.

Selma must continue to study its storm drainage problems and maintain an active program of sewer construction, ditch construction and system maintenance.